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SUBJECT Morton Sobell

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596	10/6/50	with TYPED copy & ONE COPY NY teletype to HQ, WFO & La	1 1/1	0	Yes	see Bufile 101-2483
597	10/6/50	with ONE COPY LA teletype to HQ & NY	1	0	Yes	see Bufile 101-2483
598	10/6/50	with one copy WFO teletype to NY	6/6	0	Yes	Bu file 101-2483
599	10/6/50	with one copy WFO teletype to NY	1/1	0	Yes	See Bufile 101-2483
600	10/6/50	with one copy WFO teletype to NY, HQ	1/1	0	Yes	See Bufile 101-2483
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603	10/6/50	with one copy NY memo	1/1	1/1	NO	
604	10/6/50	New York letter to La.	1	1	NO	
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609	10/6/50	HQ Lab report to OC	2	0	Yes	Bufile 101-2483
610	10/9/50	WITH ONE COPY Ba teletype to HQ, NY + NY	1	0	Yes	Bufile 101-2483
611	10/9/50	ONE COPY Ph teletype to HQ + NY	1	0	Yes	Bufile 101-2483
612	10/9/50	WITH TYPED ONE COPY NY teletype to HQ + AL.	1	0	Yes	Bufile 101-2483
613	10/9/50	with one copy NY teletype to WFO	1	1	NO	
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616	10/9/50	NY let to Ba	1	1	NO	
617	10/9/50	LAB NY let to HQ	1	0	Yes	Bufile 101-2483
618	10/9/50	CAPTIONED: Julius Rosenberg NY teletype to HQ	1	0	Yes	NY file 65-15348

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620	10/9/50	WFO report to Hq. WITH TWO COPIES	9/9	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
621	10/9/50	WFO let to Hq.	1/1	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
622	10/9/50	Hq. let to LA with one copy	3/3	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
623	10/9/50	Hq. let to WFO with copy	1/1	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
624	10/9/50	Hq. teletype to NY with copy	1/1	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
625	10/9/50	Ci let to NK	1/1	1/1	NO	
626	10/10/50	NY memo with one copy Captioned: Julius Rosenberg	1/1	1/1	NO	
627	10/10/50	NY let to Hq.	3/3	0	yes	NY file 65-15318
628	10/10/50	Hq. teletype to NY with copy	1/1	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
629	10/9/50	NY teletype to Hq, Bos & NY with one copy	1/1	0	yes	See Bufile 101-2483
630	10/10/50	NY memo with one copy	3/3	3/3	NO	

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632	10/14/50	Hq. let to NY ^{with ONE COPY}	1	0	yes	see Bufile 101-2483
633	10/10/50	QC let to Hq. LAB	1	0	yes	see Bufile 101-2483
634	10/14/50	WFO teletype to NY, HQ ^{with copy}	1	0	yes	See Bufile 101-2483
635	10/14/50	Se. teletype to NY ^{with copy}	1	1	NO	
636	10/10/50	De. teletype to NY, HQ ^{with copy}	1	0	yes	See Bufile 101-2483
637	10/11/50	NY teletype to Hq. ^{WITH TYPED COPY}	2	0	yes	see Bufile 101-2483
638	10/11/50	Cv report to Hq. ^{WITH TWO COPIES}	3	0	yes	Bufile 101-2483
639	10/11/50	Ba report to Hq. ^{WITH ONE COPY}	3	0	yes	Bufile 101-2483
640	10/14/50	NY memo with copy	11	0	NO	REFERRAL
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642	10/11/50	PH teletype to Hq. + NY ^{with ONE COPY}	3	0	yes	Bufile 101-2483

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New York, New York
October 6, 1950

MEMO

RE: HORTON SOBELL, was.
ESPIONAGE-R

(Summary info)

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SA REX I. SHRODER

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*Bellock showed letter to Garrett - he hastily
perused - very cryptic said he was
sick & would take sometime on an
indefinite amount of time off.*

Shroder

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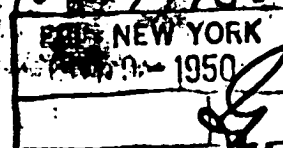
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October 6, 1950

SAC, Detroit

SAC, New York

MORTON SOBELL, was.,
ESPIONAGE - R

Enclosed herewith, for the Detroit and Seattle Offices, are photographs of the subjects in the SOBELL and ROSENBERG espionage ring. It is requested that when conducting interviews with classmates, associates, or acquaintances of either SOBELL or ROSENBERG that the below listed photographs be exhibited that all information be developed concerning each of these individuals and their association not only with SOBELL and ROSENBERG, but with other members of this parallel.

The photographs of the following persons are enclosed:

MARK PAGES,
WILLIAM DANZIGER,
WELDON BRUCE DAYTON,
HELENE ELITCHER,
MAX ELITCHER,
VIVIAN GLASSMAN,
RUTH GREENGLASS,
STEPHEN JAVNA,
CARLA JAVNA,
WILLIAM HUTTERPERL, aka, PAUL,
RUSSELL MC HITT,
ANNE SIDOROVICH,
MIKE SIDOROVICH,
NATHAN SUSTMAN,
MORTON SOBELL (2),
LOUISE SARANT,
NETTA SAVIDOS,
ALFRED SARANT,
JOEL BART,
JULIUS ROSENBERG,
DAVID GREENGLASS,
ETHEL ROSENBERG.

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MORTON SOBELL, WAS. - ESP - R. REMYTEL OCT SIXTH LAST REQUESTING YOUR OFFICE TO OBTAIN HANDWRITING SPECIMENS OF SUBJ AT SOCIAL SECURITY HEAD-QUARTERS. THIS LEAD SHOULD HAVE BEEN SET OUT FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE RECORDS, NOT SOCIAL SECURITY. YOUR OFFICE ALSO REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN SPECIMENS AT CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AND EXHAUST ALL OTHER POSSIBILITIES FOR OBTAINING HANDWRITING FOR SUBJ AND WIFE.

SCHEIDT

HLD PLS

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NEW YORK, NEW YORK
OCTOBER 9, 1950

Transmit the following Teletype message to: WASHINGTON FIELD - URGENT
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SCHEIDT

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MR. WHELAN
MR. STEIN
MR. COLLIER
MR. GILLESPIE
MR. GRANVILLE
MR. LEVVIS
MR. MARCHESSAULT
MR. McANDREWS
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MR. SULLIVAN
MR. WALSH
MR. WICK
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PROPERTY CLERK
TRAINING UNIT

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 5:57 P

Per J. G.

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SAC, Baltimore

October 9, 1950

SAC, New York

MORTON SOBELL, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

Re New York letter to the Bureau and Baltimore dated September 22, 1950,

With the inclusion of photographs to reference letter, the photograph of Mrs. ETHEL ROSENBERG was inadvertently omitted in the Baltimore enclosure.

Enclosed herewith is a photograph of Mrs. ETHEL ROSENBERG.

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New York 7, New York

October 9, 1950

MEMO:

Re: MORTON SOBELL;
ESPIONAGE - R

ROSS MERRITT, Comptroller, Reeves Instrument Corporation, 215 East 91st Street, New York City, made available for examination by the writer, all salary checks issued by the corporation in favor of MORTON SOBELL. Attached to this memorandum is a complete listing of these checks showing the date the check was issued, the check number, amount of the check, endorsements, transit number of the bank negotiating the item, and the date the check was negotiated.

MERRITT was also requested to make available any records his firm might have showing the days on which SOBELL was absent from his job during 1950. MERRITT advised that no leave slips are kept which would show the days on which the employees are absent from work. However, information concerning leave from work could be obtained from the time sheets.

The time sheets covering the period January 2 to June 30, 1950, were examined and showed the following absences for SOBELL: *other than*
Sats, Sundays and Holidays.

Date
1950

Reasons

January 9

Sick

January 30

Worked from 8:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

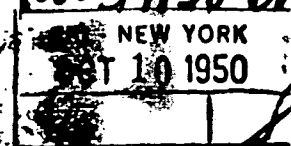
February 17

Worked from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Left because of family illness.

February 21

Worked from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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Date
1950

Reasons

February 28 and
March 1

On these dates, time sheets show he was at
a Texas Air Force Base.

March 22

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

March 23

Sick

March 24

Worked from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

April 3

Sick

" 5

1 P.M. to 5 P.M.

April 6

Sick

April 7

Worked from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

May 12

Sick

" 23

11 A.M. to 6 P.M.

June 12

Sick

~~JUNE~~ The last day worked by SOBELL was shown on the time sheets as
~~January~~ 16.

The time sheets for Roosevelt Field at which he worked show that he left there at 4:30 p.m. HOWARD DANIEL, Auditor, who reviewed these records advised the writer that the entry for June 16 was in the handwriting of the guard on duty at Roosevelt Field. He said it was the practice for the guard at Roosevelt Field to fill in the time of arrival and departure for the employees working there.

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The period for this investigation is October 2, 3, 1950.

EDWARD J. CAHILL, SA (A)

New York 7, New York

October 9, 1950

MEMO:

Re: MORTON SOBELL;
ESPIONAGE - R

ROSS MERRITT, Comptroller, Reeves Instrument Corporation, 215 East 91st Street, New York City, made available for examination by the writer, all salary checks issued by the corporation in favor of MORTON SOBELL. Attached to this memorandum is a complete listing of these checks showing the date the check was issued, the check number, amount of the check, endorsements, transit number of the bank negotiating the item, and the date the check was negotiated.

MERRITT was also requested to make available any records his firm might have showing the days on which SOBELL was absent from his job during 1950. MERRITT advised that no leave slips are kept which would show the days on which the employees are absent from work. However, information concerning leave from work could be obtained from the time sheets.

The time sheets covering the period January 2 to June 30, 1950, were examined and showed the following absences for SOBELL: *other than*

Sat, Sunday and Holidays

Date
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Reasons

January 9

Sick

January 30

Worked from 8:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

February 17

Worked from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Left because of family illness.

February 21

Worked from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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February 28 and
March 1

On these dates, time sheets show he was at
a Texas Air Force Base.

March 22

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

March 23

Sick

March 24

Worked from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

April 3

Sick

" 5

1 P.M. to 5 P.M.

April 6

Sick

April 7

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May 12

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" 23

11 A.M. to 6 P.M.

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Reference is made to New York letter of 9-22-50, a copy of which is attached hereto, requesting this office to locate and interview OSCAR GOLDBERG of 214 Lexington Avenue, Dayton, Ohio.

Mrs. D. C. INGELLS, 214 Lexington Avenue, Dayton, advised that GOLDBERG has not lived at this address for the past five years. She stated that GOLDBERG was employed by Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, however, he worked in New Jersey and she last heard he resided in Red Bank.

Mr. I. W. ROHLFS, Office of the Provost Marshal, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, advised that the personnel records reflect that GOLDBERG began working at the field as a Radio Engineer on February 19, 1940, and was so employed until March 23, 1945, at which time he entered the U. S. Army. On April 1, 1947, GOLDBERG was re-employed and assigned at Watson Laboratories, Red Bank, New Jersey, which is a depot of the Headquarters of Air Materiel Command. Mr. ROHLFS further advised that GOLDBERG'S emergency address is reflected on the records to be care of CHARLES GOLDBERG, 4367 Webster Avenue, New York City.

The indices of the Cincinnati Office contain no reference to GOLDBERG.

The Newark Office should check their indices concerning GOLDBERG, and if no derogatory information or no reason to the contrary exists, he should be interviewed in accordance with New York letter of September 22, 1950.

There are enclosed herewith 22 photographs to be used in connection with the interview of GOLDBERG.

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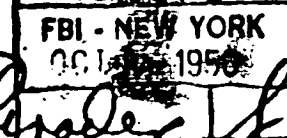
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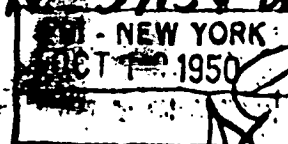
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EDGAR C. FOREST, SA results.*

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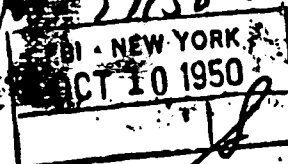
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Mr. KATZ advised that he attended the University of Michigan from September, 1941, until he was graduated in June, 1943. Mr. KATZ further advised that he had previously attended the City College of New York from January, 1940, until August, 1941, and that while at this College, he took a liberal arts course in the uptown college.

Mr. KATZ advised that in September, 1941, when he first arrived at Ann Arbor, Michigan, he moved into a room rented to him by Mrs. ALICE PULLEN and that property in this instance was located at 612 East Madison Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Mr. KATZ advised that to the best of his recollection, MORTON SOBELL was occupying one-half of the double room rented to him by Mrs. PULLEN at this time. Mr. KATZ stated that this was his first acquaintance with MORTON SOBELL who was doing graduate work in Electrical Engineering, at the University of Michigan. Mr. KATZ advised that he roomed with SOBELL from September, 1941, until June, 1942.

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KATZ advised that in reference to the subject's unknown female visitor, he returned to the room occupied by he and SOBELL jointly sometime between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. the Sunday following the aforementioned Saturday night, at which time he re-entered the apartment and the unknown girl was in the apartment knitting and SOBELL was also present.

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Mr. KATZ further stated that he knew of no photographic equipment owned by MORTON SOBELL at this time. KATZ advised that he last saw MORTON SOBELL in June, 1942.

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